The 2015-16 Strategic Plan for the MCSC is to enhance and refine its core business processes to better regulate Maine public charter schools and to help assure their educational and operational excellence. Under this plan, the MCSC will address the following lines of effort:

- 1. Revise the application process to be more effective and manageable;
- 2. Improve the effectiveness of the school monitoring process;
- 3. Define and implement a process for development and management of the Commission's budget; and
- 4. Consider changes to the form of charter school contract to clarify such areas as mechanisms for non-compliance and amendment processes.

## **Sub-committees**

#### **Monitoring**

(sub-committee: John, Laurie, Jana, Gina)

- Schools' self-assessment for review and report
- Timetable
  - When we do what
  - Dissemination of materials (when and who)
- Clarify what we need to know (1<sup>st</sup> year, 2<sup>nd</sup> year, etc.)
- Essential Components
- Prep Materials (last year's report/recommendations; duties of each)
- More budget focus and process of review

#### **Contract**

### (sub-committee: Ande, Nichi)

- Review for elements
- Non-compliance
- Material/non-material Amendment
- Process to making changes to contract implementation.

#### **Application**

# (sub-committee: Jana, Mike)

- Consider a 2-phase app. process
- Review for essential components
- Timeline (ours & theirs)

### **Budget (MCSC-cash flow, expenditures, income)**

# (sub-committee: Mike, Ande)

- Process for reviewing budget (including timeline)
- · Commission member involvement in developing budget
- Consider future budget in light of Mission and Goals
- Identify needs

### **Public Documents**

(sub-committee: John, Mike, Shelley)

• Pull together